

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT**

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PARTIES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

ON

**PRIORITIZATION OF TOXIC AIR CONTAMINANTS - CHILDREN'S
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROTECTION ACT**

MARCH 2, 2001

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) is releasing a draft document, *Prioritization of Toxic Air Contaminants – Children's Environmental Health Protection Act* to solicit public comment. This draft document has been developed by OEHHA for use in implementing the Children's Environmental Health Protection Act (Senate Bill 25, Escutia; chaptered 1999). OEHHA is required to develop, by July 1, 2001, a list of up to five chemicals identified as Toxic Air Contaminants (TACs) that may cause infants and children to be especially susceptible to illness (Health and Safety Code Sections 39669.5(a)). The draft document includes: 1) a description of the prioritization process used to evaluate which TACs potentially disproportionately impact children, and 2) summaries for chemicals considered priority candidates for the list. This document will also undergo review by the state's Scientific Review Panel on Toxic Air Contaminants.

The document will be available on the OEHHA Home Page at <http://www.oehha.ca.gov> on **March 2, 2001**. The distribution of the document will commence a 30-day public review period that will end on April 1, 2001. Public workshops will be held March 19th in Oakland and March 20th in Diamond Bar. Location information is as follows:

March 19th

10 AM – 2 PM
Elihu Harris Building
1515 Clay Street
Training Room A
Oakland, CA.

March 20th

10 AM – 2 PM
South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 E. Copley Dr.
Room GB
Diamond Bar, CA

Please direct any inquiries concerning technical matters or availability of the document to Dr. Andrew Salmon at (510) 622-3150. Please direct your written comments regarding the revised draft document to Dr. Melanie A. Marty, TAC Prioritization, 1515 Clay St., 16th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612. Information about dates and agenda for meetings of the Scientific Review Panel can be obtained from the ARB web page at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/srp/srp.htm>.